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EXDIS (MILITARY ADDRESSES HANDLE AS SPECAT EXCLUSIVE

CINCPAC FOR POLAD FOR ASST. SECRETARY HABIB AND AMBASSADOR SNEIDER

FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION SECSTATE FROM SEOUL JAN 23:

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L SEOUL 0534

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DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS CINCPAC FOR POLAD FOR ASST. SECRETARY
HABIB AND AMBASSADOR SNEIDER

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, MPOL, KS, US
SUBJECT: ROK FORCE IMPROVEMENT PLAN

REF: STATE 15349

1. ON JAN 23 AT END OF LENGTHY MEETING WITH DPM NAM
ON SEPARATE SUBJECT, CHARGE PROVIDED LATTER SUBSTANCE
REFTEL AND LEFT WITH HIM PAPER BASED ON POINT CONTAINED
REFTEL PARA 7. ALSO EMPHASIZED SUBSTANCE REFTEL PARA 8.

2. NAM EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT AT USG INABILITY TO
ENTER INTO LONG-TERM COMMITMENT, BUT APPEARED TO ACCEPT
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RATIONALE WHEN EXPLAINED. HE DID REMARK SECRETARY

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SCHLESINGER HAD APPEARED MORE FORTHCOMING WHEN FIP HAD BEEN OUTLINED TO HIM DURING LAST SCM MEETING. CHARGE RESPONDED HE DID NOT RECALL SPECIFIC LANGUAGE FORMER SECDEF HAD USED BUT THAT, AS NAM AWARE, LEVELS OF US SUPPORT OF ANY TYPE MUST BE DETERMINED THROUGH ANNUAL PROCESS WHICH ULTIMATELY INVOLVED CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL AND AUTHORITY. CHARGE SAID THAT HE FELT USG RESPONSE TO FIP WAS FORTHCOMING AND POSITIVE AND ASKED THAT ROKG VIEW IT IN THAT LIGHT.

3. CINCUNC ALSO INTENDS CONVEY SUBSTANCE REFTEL TO MND SOONEST. ERICSON UNQUOTE SISCO

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